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Yugoslavs To Legalize Strikes

The preliminary draft of the Code of Self-Managers, containing a clause granting workers the right to strike, has been published in Belgrade.

For years the Yugoslavs have permitted "work-stoppages", but have refused to legalize such action--opting instead to ignore the contradiction in self-management that has witnessed strikes by workers against enterprises which in theory they themselves run. The Second Congress of Self-Managers, which met in Sarajevo in May 1971, created a series of commissions to draw up a code intended to define the self-managers' position on workers' rights, including the right to strike. The new code which has emerged recognizes "the reality that, under certain conditions, strikes appear in our society as the last resort of the struggle of workers for their rights." 25X1 The code is expected to be officially promulgated at a congress of the Yugoslav Trade Union Federation next spring.

Yugoslavs Open Talks On Wide Front

The Yugoslavs are wasting no time getting down to business following their August vacations.

Bulgarian party central committee secretary, Ivan Abadzhiev, arrived in Belgrade yesterday for high-level talks. Abadzhiev is considered a young comer in the Bulgarian party and was named head of the BCP Commission on Ideology only last July. In assuming this mantle of responsibility, he takes over an area which has caused a number of problems between the Yugoslavs and Bulgarians. Abadzhiev already has met with the Serbian representative on the Yugoslav party executive bureau, Krsta Avramovic (whose responsibility is youth affairs.) If, however, Abadzhiev intends to discuss ideological differences with his hosts, the logical man on the executive bureau to talk with is Montenegrin, Budislav Soskic.

UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim arrives in Belgrade today for talks with Premier Bijedic, Foreign Minister Topavac and President Tito. This is Waldheim's first visit to Yugoslavia since he took over the helm of the United Nations. The Yugoslav press reports Waldheim will exchange views with his hosts concerning the agenda for the 27th UNGA.

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Tanjug (the Yugoslav news agency) has announced that Ethiopian Premier Aklilu will pay an official visit from 4 to 7 September. Neither the purpose of the visit nor the subjects to be discussed were announced, but most likely nonalignment and the upcoming UNGA will predominate.

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